



Jefferson College Bi-Level Nursing Application Process - Level I / PN

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

HESI A2 Entrance Exam

- To be considered for admission, a candidate must earn a minimum of 85% in three of the four tested areas and a minimum of 80% in the fourth area (Reading, Grammar, Basic Math, and Vocabulary). Minimum overall score: 335, However, HESI's recommended level of performance is **350** and above for all scores provided. There are 400 points possible on this exam. HESI A2 scores have been shown to be linked to nursing student success; the selection committee places a lot of weight on these scores.
- Cost of the HESI A2 is **\$50.00** (effective July 1, 2019) to be paid at the cashier's office prior to testing.
- The exam may be taken one (1) time during the testing period of **January 1–June 30**, and one (1) time during the testing period of **July 1–December 31**, for a maximum of twice per year (**no exceptions**). If an applicant does not make a passing score, the applicant will need to wait until the next testing period to retake the exam.
- The HESI A2 exam may be taken at the Hillsboro (636-481-3147) or Arnold Testing Centers (636-481-3592). No appointment necessary. Allow **4 hours** to complete the exam. Contact the testing center for hours of operation.
- A study guide is available at the Jefferson College Hillsboro and Arnold libraries. The guide is also sold in the Jefferson College bookstore or online at www.us.elsevierhealth.com. Testing is over the first four chapters only on Reading, Grammar, Basic Math, and Vocabulary. (Study guide ISBN: 978-0-323-35378-6)
- HESI A2 online study links are available on the nursing website at www.jeffco.edu/nursing → Application Process → HESI A2 Resource Links.
- HESI A2 scores are valid for 2 years prior to the program start date.
- A2 scores taken elsewhere and within 2 years may be transferred to Jefferson College by contacting HESI customer service at 1-800-222-9570 and paying the testing transfer fee.
- For information on the HESI A2 Evolve remediation process, visit www.jeffco.edu/nursing → Application Process.

GPA of 2.8

- To be considered for admission, a candidate must have a minimum 2.8 GPA.
- GPA is calculated utilizing Level I/PN and Level II/RN pre-requisite and co-requisite courses: PSY 101, BIO 211, BIO 212, BIO 113, PSY 205, ENG 101, ENG 102 **or** COM 100, HST 103/HST104 **or** PSC 102.
- If ENG 102 **and** COM 100 have been completed, the higher of the two grades will be utilized.
- If HST 103, HST 104 **and** PSC 102 have been completed, the highest of the three grades will be utilized.
- Official transcripts must be sent to the Office of Enrollment Services.

Completion of Prerequisite Coursework - Must be completed prior to nursing program start date.

- ___ BIO 211 Anatomy & Physiology I - *completed with a grade of "C" or better within 5 years of the program start date. The prerequisite for BIO 211 is BIO 101 (or high school Biology) and CHM 101 (or high school Chemistry) with grades of "C" or better within 5 years.*
- ___ PSY 101 General Psychology - *completed with a "C" or better.*
- ___ COL 100; COL 136; COL 101- First Year Experience - *This course **may not** be required for students who have previously completed 15 credit hours of college credit.*

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF LEVEL I/PN CERTIFICATE

These courses are part of the Level I/PN curriculum, but can be completed prior to acceptance into nursing program.

- ___ BIO 212 Anatomy and Physiology II – *completed with a grade of “C” or better within 5 years of start of the nursing program.*
- ___ PSY 205 Life Span Human Development – *completed with a “C” or better.*

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF LEVEL II/RN- AAS DEGREE

These courses are **not** required for the PN certificate but **are** required for the AAS degree. The courses can be completed prior to acceptance to nursing program or during the Level II/RN nursing program.

- ___ ENG 101 English Composition I
- ___ ENG 102 English Composition II **or** COM 100 Fundamentals of Communication
- ___ PSC 102 US & MO Government & Constitution; **or** HST 103 US History I to Reconstruction; **or** HST 104 US History II from Reconstruction (if taken at Jefferson College Spring 2016 or later)
- ___ Computer Proficiency: CIS 125 or by examination - *completed with a “C” or better.*
- ___ BIO 113 Microbiology for Health Sciences – *completed with a “C” or better.*

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Admission to the nursing program is highly competitive.** *We cannot guarantee admission to all applicants who meet minimum requirements.*
- Completion of the application criteria is **not** a guarantee of admission, but rather the minimal requirements for entry into the selection process.
- The full-time Level I/PN day program starts in Fall (August).
The part-time Level I/PN evening program starts in Spring (January).
- The Level I/PN nursing program has a year-round application process.
- Application deadline for **Fall** Level I/PN Day program consideration is the first Monday in April.
- Application deadline for **Spring** Level I/PN Evening program consideration is the first Monday in September.
- Complete a free Jefferson College application for admission and meet with an enrollment specialist.
- After meeting the minimum HESI A2 test score, the nursing program application can be obtained from the nursing office located on the Hillsboro campus in CTE 131.
- The nursing program **application fee is \$30** to be paid to the cashier (Hillsboro) or at the front desk (Arnold).
- Turn in the completed Nursing Application for Admission to the nursing education office (CTE 131); applications will **not** be accepted without the following attachments:
 - Ensure **official** transcripts have been received by the Office of Enrollment Services at Jefferson College: (636) 481-3209.
 - Submit a **\$30.00** application fee receipt.
 - Submit a printed copy of **HESI scores** (scores are received after testing *or* student can login to the Evolve website <https://evolve.elsevier.com/>. HESI customer service: 1-800-222-9570)
 - Submit (if applicable) a printed copy of **course schedule** showing current enrollment in nursing pre- and/or co-requisite courses. (i.e. Fall 2020 applicant enrolled in Spring/Summer 2020 courses).
 - Submit (if applicable) a copy of current certificate or licensure for current Healthcare position(s) as indicated on the application
- Upon acceptance into the nursing program, information will be provided regarding the requirements for drug and alcohol screening, CPR certification, proof of immunizations, background check, and the orientation process.
- *Applicants **not** selected into the program (or re-applying to the program) must complete a new nursing application for the next available cohort and pay the \$30 application fee for each application (effective 2/20/20).*
- Please monitor the nursing department website for updates and changes to the program and/or application process at www.jeffco.edu/nursing.